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Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORTS OF LARRY DODSON AND THE “MESSAGE FROM MEMPHIS” PROJECT TO BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF HAITI, AND TO REQUEST THE COUNTY MAYOR’S ADMINISTRATION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF PROVIDING \$10,000 IN MATCHING FUNDS WITH THE CITY OF MEMPHIS TO FUND THE PROJECT. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER JAMES HARVEY.**

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**WHEREAS**, On January 12, 2010, the nation of Haiti was struck by a severe earthquake that left hundreds of thousands dead and millions homeless; and

**WHEREAS**, Due to the high number of casualties, relief agencies and non-governmental organizations worldwide have been pressed to find creative methods of raising funds for the massive relief effort; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Larry Dodson has convened a group of local musicians to produce an album entitled “Message From Memphis;” the proceeds from which will benefit the relief efforts currently underway in Haiti.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE**, That the Commission hereby expresses its support for the efforts of Mr. Larry Dodson and the “We Are Memphis” project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the County Mayor’s Administration is hereby requested to study the feasibility of providing \$10,000 in matching funds with the City of Memphis for initial funding of the project, and to issue an opinion or proposal to the Commission within fourteen (14) days of passage of this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this Resolution shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been enacted according to due process of law, the public welfare requiring it.

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Joe Ford  
Interim County Mayor

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

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Clerk of County Commission

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